



Alaska
Unified Command Recommended
Response Priorities, Objectives and Tasks

A. Priorities.

1. Protection of Life
2. Security
3. Protection of the environment
4. Protection of property

B. Objectives.

- Address safety of passengers, crew and responders.
- Respond to potential and actual security threats.
- Mitigate threat to pollution.
- Manage information.
- Recovery of normal maritime operations.

C. Potential Tasks for Each Objective.

1. Address safety of passengers, crew and responders.
 - ☐ Identify risks and hazards associated with incident.
 - ☐ Stabilize the vessel
 - Assess vessel integrity
 - Extinguish fire
 - Initiate damage control
 - ☐ Passenger and Crew Management
 - Account for passengers and crew
 - Evaluate and treat injuries
 - Determine need for evacuation
 - Plan and conduct evacuation, if needed
 - ☐ Implement passenger and crew shore side response
 - Transport passenger and crew that are landed ashore
 - Process and account for passengers and crew landed ashore
 - Provide shore side facilities to care for and house passengers and crew
2. Respond to potential and actual security threats:
 - ☐ Evaluate possible cause of casualty or threat
 - ☐ Make timely notifications
 - ☐ Mobilize outside security agencies and support
 - ☐ Initiate an investigation
 - ☐ Limit access and establish a security zone
 - Secure landing sites and reception centers



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3. Mitigate threat of pollution:

- ☐ Ensure actions are underway to control the source and minimize the total volume of oil or pollutant released.
- ☐ Ensure all necessary actions have been taken to protect environmentally sensitive areas, to include minimizing wildlife impacts
- ☐ Ensure effective containment, cleanup, recovery, and disposal of spilled product

4. Manage Information:

- ☐ Manage Internal Communications
 - Maintain effective information flow to and from the scene and to the responders
 - Establish effective communications flow between Command Posts and between response assets
- ☐ External communications
 - Provide first and best source of information for:
 - Families (including next of kin), passengers, and crew
 - The media:
 - Establish and implement media strategy (JIC)
 - Public
 - Stakeholders
 - Establish methodology for unified command to release common message to avoid confusion.

5. Recovery of Maritime Operations.

- Coordinate recovery with key agencies and stakeholders
- Increase security measures as appropriate.
- Stabilize and remove threats to waterways and port facilities.
- Survey channels and waterways.
- Remove hazards to navigation.
- Restore essential Aids to Navigation.
- Resume commercial shipping and port operations, with operational restrictions as needed.